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 Subject:
 Re: E Squared

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Dear Ms. Rowe,

I am happy to see your interest in the TASC program. After the holidays, I will be working with David Cooper to organize additional meetings to make sure that all interested parties have the opportunity learn about this and other programs, and to perform a needs assessment that will be used in developing a work plan to address the concerns you identified.

In the mean time, I would like to raise your awareness about another program, Community Action for a Renewed Environment (CARE) that I think your community could benefit greatly from. Unlike the TASC program that is largely intended to provide information to under-represented communities, the CARE program has the time frame and capacity to assist in more meaningful and long-term solutions to the issues surrounding the SSFL. A request for proposals was just issued and will close in Mid-March. Please take a look at the web site and feel free to contact myself or Mr. Mike Bandrowski here in SF. Please check out the website: http://www.epa.gov/care/

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Have a great solstice and happy new year!

-Luis

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To Luis Garcia-Bakarich/R9/USEPA/US@EPA

12/13/2008 02:10 AM

cc Nicole Moutoux/R9/USEPA/US@EPA, FX-6 Personal Privacy,

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Subject E Squared

Dear Mr. Garcia - Bakarich,

I am sorry that I did not have a chance to speak to you last night. As a Board member of the West Hills Neighborhood Council, and a member of its subcommittee on the Santa Susana Field Lab, we as a Board address the SSFL and the peripheral properties at least twice a month-for several years.

I am a new Board member, and my first task was to get some Board members up to the SSFL for a complete site tour. A presentation was done by Boeing, NASA, and the DOE.

I used to play the role of a community member from West Hills until I was asked in July of this year to join the Board because of my involvement in the SSFL and other issues.

We are planning a Town Hall on March 14, and the agenda is not yet established.

One of my goals is to allay the fears of the community that are told that all of their cancers are coming from the SSFL today.

Gregg Dempsey actually told me last night that when people ask if it is safe to live there - within two miles of the lab, he says it is ok.

I believe that you spoke to my Co Chair for the Town Hall - Joanne Yvanek - Garb.

What we would want from E squared is a study about the health risks from the SRE to the community today. We would also need scientists to interpret data so that we can be sure as a Board that our West Hills community is not being impacted by the winds or the runoff from the SSFL site today. We also need to find out about Dayton Canyon which is in West Hills, and had high levels of perchlorates and some radionuclides there in the past.

Thank you.

## Chris Rowe FX-6 Personal Privacy (after 11:00 AM)

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